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FLEMING, JEROLD STEVEN
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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

Appendix A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE April 20, 1981

FULL NAME Jerrold Steven Flemming
(No initials if you can possibly give full name)

ADDRESS 462 Jefferson Street

CITY Eugene STATE Oregon ZIP CODE 97401

DATE OF BIRTH _____ (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 38 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION _____ NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION _____

EDUCATION _____

WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____ RACE _____

COLOR OF HAIR _____ COLOR OF EYES _____

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS _____

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN _____

WIFE'S NAME _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
Pack 67	Eugene	Oregon	Acting C.M.	Never Registered	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

August 22, 1980 - Charged with six counts of first-degree sodomy and two counts of first-degree sexual abuse. Will be tried on June 16, 1981

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

NOTED

NOV 20 '81

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

F. STARON

APR 24 1981

Signed


SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Oregon Trail 697

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IDENTIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

RETURN PROMPTLY TO:
Registration and Subscription
Boy Scouts of America

(MARKED PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL)

COUNCIL NO.	DISTRICT NO.	UNIT
697		

DATE April 20, 1981

NOT REGISTERED

SCOUTER Jerrold Steven Flemming POSITION C.M. Pack 67 Green Woods

ADDRESS 462 Jefferson Street, Eugene, Oregon 97401 TELEPHONE NO. none

☐ Lived in _____
☐ First or middle name _____
☐ Full name _____
 First _____ Middle _____
☐ Marriage _____ Single _____ How long married _____
 Spouse's name none
 Children _____ Names and ages _____
 Education _____ Where _____?
 Occupation _____

Race white
 Hair { red brown blond black gray }
 Eyes { blue brown hazel green black gray }
 Height _____ Weight _____
 Date April 20, 81
 Signature [Signature] Scout Executive

-ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SHADED AREAS AND AS MANY OTHERS AS POSSIBLE-

No. 28-906

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December 3, 1981

Mr. Jerry J. Dempsey
Scout Executive
Oregon Trail Council, No. 697

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Jerrold Steven Fleming

Dear Jerry:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Western Region

READY FOR FILE
DEC 03 1981
DAWN HARDELL

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October 2, 1981

Registration Service
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Irving, TX 75062

Gentlemen:

This is to follow up on the matter regarding Jerrold Steven Flemming who, although unregistered in the position of Cubmaster, served in that capacity with Cub Pack 67, sponsored by Whitaker School in the Green Woods District of the Oregon Trail Council. In accordance with your request, I have sent along clippings noting his conviction and sentencing.

If there is any further information you wish for me to secure, I'll be happy to do so.

Sincerely,

Dick Clark

Dick Clark
Assistant Scout Executive

DC/cb

F. STARON

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Gets 65 years AUG 15 1981 for sex crimes

A former Eugene Cub Scout leader, convicted of committing eight sex crimes involving four boys in his pack, has been sentenced to 65 years in prison.

Jerrold Steven Flemming, 38, was sentenced Friday morning by Lane County Circuit Judge James Hargreaves on six counts of first-degree sodomy and on two counts of first-degree sexual abuse. He was convicted of the charges in a June jury trial.

Flemming was charged with committing the sex crimes against boys ages 7, 9, 10 and 11 years old between June 1, 1979, and July 24, 1980. Flemming was cubmaster of a pack from the Whiteaker Elementary School area for about two months in the spring of 1980.

Hargreaves meted maximum five-year sentences on each sexual abuse charge and maximum 20-year sentences on each sodomy count, but ordered that some sentences were to be served concurrently. The judge ordered Flemming to serve a minimum of 30 years in prison.

In related court action, Flemming's attorney, Terry Gough of Eugene, filed a motion Friday for a retrial of the case. Gough cited irregular jury proceedings and jury misconduct, which "prevented the defendant from having a fair trial," as reasons for a retrial.

New trial denied in case involving AUG 20 1981 ex-Scout leader

A former Eugene Cub Scout leader convicted of committing eight sex crimes involving four boys in his pack has lost his bid for a new trial.

Lane County Circuit Judge James Hargreaves denied a motion Wednesday for a new trial in the case of Jerrold Steven Flemming, 38, who was convicted June 23 of six counts of first-degree sodomy and of two counts of first-degree sexual abuse. The charges stemmed from sex crimes committed against boys ages 7, 9, 10 and 11 years old between June 1, 1979, and July 24, 1980.

Flemming's attorney argued Wednesday that Flemming didn't have a fair trial in June because of irregular jury proceedings and jury misconduct.

Earlier this month, Hargreaves sentenced Flemming to 65 years in prison, and ordered him to serve a minimum of 30 years. Flemming was cubmaster of a pack from the Whiteaker Elementary School area for about two months in the spring of 1980.

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Jury convicts former Cub Scout leader of sex crimes

By LISA STRYCKER
Of the Register-Guard

JUN 24 1981

A 38-year-old Eugene man who served as a Cub Scout leader for two months in 1980 has been found guilty of committing eight sex crimes involving four boys in his pack.

The nine-man, three-woman jury found Jerrold Steven Flemming guilty of six counts of first-degree sodomy and of two counts of first-degree sexual abuse after deliberating for about 3 1/2 hours Tuesday evening. The trial before Lane County Circuit Judge James Hargreaves began last week and lasted about three days.

Flemming was charged with committing sex crimes against boys ages 7, 9, 10 and 11 years old between June 1, 1979 and July 24, 1980, according to indictments filed against Flemming. Flemming was cubmaster of a pack from the Whiteaker Elementary School area for about two months in the spring of 1980.

Flemming's attorney, Terry Gough of Eugene, had sought to convince the jury that Flemming should not be held responsible for his actions because he was — and is — so mentally ill that he couldn't conform to the law. Flemming, who did not take the stand, did not deny any of the charges against him.

But Deputy District Attorney Robert Gorham, who prosecuted the case, characterized Flemming as "a basic child molester" who knew very well that what he was doing was wrong.

"If he didn't know it was wrong, why didn't he do it on a football field or somewhere where he could've got caught?" Gorham asked the jury. "Why did he tell the kids not to tell anyone or they'll get into trouble? Certainly he knew this was a crime. He tried to hide it from people."

Gorham told the jurors that children have rights and deserved to be protected "from people like this."

"Think about the effect on these children," he told them. "The end result is almost unfathomable. How many of you would like to have that background as a 7- or 8-year-old?"

The four boys who were victims of the crimes and their mothers were called to testify in the trial late last week. According to their testimony, Flemming moved in with one woman — the mother of two of the boys — in June 1979, signed the boys up for Cub Scouts and himself became the cubmaster.

Those boys, then ages 11 and 9, said there had been numerous occasions

when Flemming had molested them. They said they encouraged a third boy to join the Cub Scout pack.

The third boy, a 7-year-old, testified that Flemming had had sexual contact with him in a public swimming pool and at the boy's home when the boy was sick with the flu. The boy's mother said she witnessed one of the sexual activities with which Flemming was charged and reported it to authorities in July 1980.

Just before that time, Flemming had moved in with a Eugene woman who had a 10-year-old son, testimony indicated. That boy said that Flemming had had some form of sexual contact with him "50 times, maybe."

Although there was not much disagreement on whether Flemming had committed the crimes, there was considerable argument on whether he should be held responsible for them. Each side — prosecution and defense — called a psychiatrist to the stand and each psychiatrist expressed a different opinion on whether Flemming could have stopped having sex with young boys even if he had realized that what he was doing was illegal.

Called for the defense was John Carter, a medical doctor who practices psychiatry in Eugene. Carter said he interviewed Flemming three times, gave Flemming various psychological tests and amassed a good deal of Flemming's past history.

"We see (in Flemming) essentially a pattern of recurrent failures, frustrations and poor establishing of relationships, social isolation, excessive drinking, sexual acting out with children and a poor ability to relate in an adult manner to mature women," Carter said.

Carter said Flemming's life has been characterized by recurrent depression and that when Flemming is depressed or feeling stress, his ability to control his impulses is impaired. When anyone is depressed, other disorders may occur, such as over or undereating, alcoholism, or an increase, decrease or change in sexual activity, Carter said.

"An affair is sexual acting out behavior, but it's relatively more acceptable," Carter said. "This behavior exhibited by Mr. Flemming is an extension of that behavior."

But Paul Bassford, a Springfield psychiatrist called for the prosecution, disagreed. Bassford said his interview with Flemming and his review of Carter's records revealed that Flemming has suffered from long-standing depression, but that Flemming could "appreciate the wrongfulness of his behavior" because he is a spiritual, moral, normally law-abiding citizen who had exhibited multiple examples proving he

knew his behavior needed to be stopped or controlled.

"We all have sexual impulses," Bassford said. "But we show some selectivity for when it is appropriate or inappropriate to have sexual contact. Mr. Flemming willfully controlled or stopped these relations for periods of time because he knew they had to be."

Flemming had exhibited no evidence of hallucinations or delusions, Bassford said. Bassford said Flemming is a pedophilic — a person who believes it is incestuous to have sexual relations with women because all women potentially are seen as mothers so they seek sexual relief in another way, with children. He also said Flemming has an obsessive-compulsive personality, which is the same personality trait that most successful executives exhibit.

The two psychiatrists — and the two lawyers — agreed that Flemming is not in good shape psychologically. Gough called his client an "ill person who needs treatment." He encouraged the jurors to find Flemming not responsible for his criminal activity so that Flemming could get psychological help.

First-degree sodomy is a Class A felony, punishable by a maximum prison sentence of 20 years and a \$2,500 fine. First-degree sexual abuse is a Class C felony, which carries a maximum five-year prison sentence and a \$2,500 fine. In all, Flemming could face a maximum sentence of 130 years in prison and a \$20,000 fine.

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January 15, 1981

Paul Ernst
Director of Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service
National Office, B.S.A.
P. O. Box 61030
Dallas/Fort Worth Airport, TX 75261

Dear Paul,

Regarding Gerald Steven Fleming, this matter has not, as yet, come before the courts, so nothing further has happened. The pack has reorganized and is still operating.

Your letter indicated that you were enclosing a confidential record sheet. That was not enclosed with the information. If you will send it, I'll be happy to complete it and forward it to you.

Sincerely,

Dick Clark
Assistant Scout Executive

DC/cb

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July 2, 1981

Mr. Dick Clark
Assistant Scout Executive
Oregon Trail Council # 697

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Jerrold Steven Fleming

Dear Dick:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet concerning the above
Scouter. This will be most helpful for identification purposes in the
future.

Please send us the results of the forthcoming trial and sentencing.

Thanks very much,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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December 24, 1980

Mr. Dick Clark
Assistant Scout Executive
Oregon Trail Council, No. 697

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Re: Jerrold Steven Fleming

Dear Dick:

In August we received a letter from you, concerning the above named individual. You indicate that he has been associated with Pack 67. We have not heard anything from you since that time. We would appreciate knowing if he has now been tried and what the outcome has been. Was he convicted or acquitted? The amount of sentence would also be helpful.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which should be completed so that we are able to identify this individual should he move to another section of the country and try to register with the Boy Scouts of America. Any other statement you can give us related to the situation would be most helpful. Perhaps you could secure statements from some of the volunteers in the chartered organization, or from the youth members involved. Let me know if I can be of further help.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Services

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August 25, 1980

F. STARON
SEP 2 1980

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Gentlemen;

Please be advised of the charges brought against Jerrold Steven Flemming of Eugene, Oregon. He is connected with Pack 67, sponsored by Whitaker Community School in the Green Woods District of the Oregon Trail Council. Although Mr. Flemming was active with the Cub pack and represented himself as a member of the pack committee and as Cubmaster, he never registered with the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. I'll keep you informed of any further actions relating to Mr. Flemming.

Very sincerely,

Dick Clark
Assistant Scout Executive

DC/cb

cc: Darl Glead

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F. STARON
SEP 2 1980

Page 4B EUGENE REGISTER-GUARD, Eugene, Oregon, Friday, August 22, 1980

Ex-scout leader charged in sex crimes with boys

A 38-year-old Eugene man who served as a Cub Scout master for two months earlier this year has been charged with eight sex crimes involving four boys in his pack.

Jerrold Steven Flemming, of 462 Jefferson St., pleaded innocent in Lane County Circuit Court last week to six counts of first-degree sodomy and two counts of first-degree sexual abuse.

Although the Boy Scout district office in Eugene has no record of Flemming being a cub master, [redacted] chairman of the advisory committee for a pack from the Whiteaker Elementary School area, says Flemming was cub master of the pack for about two months this spring. She says he had been a member of the committee since last October, when the pack was formed.

[redacted] says Flemming became involved with the pack through the mother of two of the boys in the group. Those boys, and two other boys Flemming met through pack activities, were the victims of the alleged crimes, according to [redacted].

According to Deputy District Attorney Zack Lorts, the victims in the cases are 7, 9, 10 and 11 years old. The sexual incidents occurred between June 1, 1979 — apparently occurred before Flemming became involved with the cub pack — and July 24, 1980, according to the indictments filed against Flemming.

Lorts says the mother of one of the

boys witnessed one of the sexual activities with which Flemming is charged and reported it to authorities in July. Lorts says Flemming fled to Spokane, Wash., and was extradited from there last week to face the charges.

[redacted] says when she learned of the allegations, she reported the matter to John Gibbens, a district supervisor in the Eugene Boy Scout office. Gibbens is on vacation this week. Dick Clark, assistant scout executive in the office, said Thursday he hasn't heard anything about the incidents. Clark said Flemming isn't officially registered as a cub master.

"We don't approve or disapprove leaders here at our scout service center," Clark said. "Responsibility for selecting leaders rests with the pack committee, usually a group of parents who pick the leaders to work with their kids."

[redacted] says the pack committee will be more cautious in selecting a scout master next time but says there's really no way to determine whether a person has unusual sexual tendencies.

She says the committee hasn't decided yet whether to discuss the matter with the other boys in the pack or with their parents. "Right now we're recovering from shock," she says.

Flemming is being held at the Lane County jail in lieu of \$160,000 bail. His cases will be set for trial later.

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